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SUBJECT: KAGNEW FOUR: CISCO THREE

REF: STATE 75 305565 (NOTAL), JIDDA 75 8443 (NOTAL)

1. ON JANUARY 4 WE GAVE TO THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF AFRICAN AND ASIAN AFFAIRS TAHA DUGHAITHER RONAD MUCHALKE'S NAME AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF HIS KIDNAPPING AND ASKED THAT HE DO WHAT HE COULD TO FIND OUT MUCHALKE'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS AND CONDITION. DUGHAITHER SAID THAT HE WOULD GET IN TOUCH WITH LOCAL PLF AND ELF REPRESENTATIVES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND REQUEST FULL DETAILS.

2. DUGHAITHER ALSO STATED CATEGORICALLY THAT THE PACKAGES TURNED OVER TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ON NOVEMBER 8 FOR CAMPBELL AND HARRELL HAD BEEN DELIVERED TO THEM. HE SAID THAT HE HOPED TO HAVE FURTHER DETAILED INFORMATION ON CAMPBELL AND HARRELL'S CONDITION VERY SHORTLY.

3. DUGHAITHER ALSO INFORMED US THAT THE FOREIGN

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MINISTRY'S CONTACT WITH THE PLF CONCERNING THE KIDNAPPERS

IS SALEH OSMAN DENDEN.

4. COMMENT: WE UNDERSTAND THAT DENDEN IS IN FACT A BONA FIDE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE POLITICAL WING OF THE PLF, THIS SOMEWHAT RAISES OUR CONFIDENCE IN THE SAG'S ABILITY TO HELP US IN THIS MATTER, BUT WE SHARE WITH OTHER POSTS SHEPTIMS CONCERNING THE ABILITY OF FOREIGN POLITICAL REPRESENTATIVES, PARTICULARLY OF THE PLF, TO INFLUENCE EVENTS ON THE GROUND ON ERITREA.

5. WE UNDERSTAND FROM THE BRITISH EMBASSY HERE THAT, FRUSTRATED IN ATTEMPTS TO GET HARD INFORMATION ABOUT THE KIDNAPPED BRITISH HONORARY CONSUL, THE BRITISH EMBASSY IN JIDDA MAY BE AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO DIRECT CONTACT WITH PLF AND ELF REPRESENTATIVES.  
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